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19.	Rajasthan	27.6.2002
20.	Sikkim	19.5.2004
21.	Tamil Nadu	20.4.2003
22.	Uttaranchal	1.11.2005
23.	Uttar Pradesh	30.4.2003
24.	West Bengal	31.12.2003

Expenditure on Agricultural Research and Development Work

† *392. DR. D. MASTHAN:

SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that various Committees have recommended to Government to spend minimum one percent of the gross agricultural production of the country for the purpose of Research and Development work for development and expansion of agriculture in the country;

(b) if so, the Committees which have made such recommendations to Government during previous years and when; and

(c) the action taken so far by Government to implement the above recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Following are the Parliamentary Standing Committees on Agriculture which have made such recommendations to the Government during previous years and the details of the period of such committees:—

(i) Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture (1996-97) Eleventh Lok Sabha on Demands for Grants (1996-97) in their 2nd Report.

(ii) Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture (1996-97) Eleventh Lok Sabha on Demands for Grants (1996-97) in their 10th Report,

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- (iii) Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture (1998-99) Twelfth Lok Sabha on Demands for Grants (1998-99) in their 8th Report.
- (iv) Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture (1998-99) Twelfth Lok Sabha on Demands for Grants (1999-2000) in their 19th Report.
- (v) Parliamentary Standing Committee on Agriculture (1999-2000) Thirteenth Lok Sabha on Demands for Grants (2000-2001) in their 7th Report.

(c) With regard to financial requirement, the IX Plan Working Group of Planning Commission had recommended 1% of Agricultural GDP to DARE/ICAR which was at that time equivalent to Rs.7800 crore and Rs.500 crore as one time catch up grant. However, due to the financial constraints, the Planning Commission could allocate Rs.3376.95 crore including Rs.400 crore as one time catch up grant. The Department is consistently pursuing the matter with the Planning Commission to get the total allocated IX Plan Funds.

New job opportunities

*393. SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:
SHRI J.CHITHARANJAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new job opportunities provided during the years 1998, 1999 and 2000, giving break-up for Government services, organised industries, small scale industries and unorganised sector; and

(b) how many of them are permanent, casual and contract labour?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) and (b) Estimates of employment in Government